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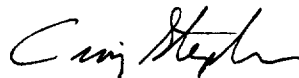
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Re: Separate listing of trans-fatty acids on food labels

There is a good deal of evidence that trans-fatty acids tend to raise the level of LDL cholesterol in the blood, perhaps as much so as saturated fats. Medical publications tell us to avoid eating them in favor of mono- or poly-unsaturated fats. While food labels are required to show the amount of saturated fats in the product, partially-hydrogenated fats are not required to be listed separately, even though they may be just as bad. Why is this? Why shouldn't the consumer have the information needed to make an informed decision? Will your regulations be modified in the near future to require a separate listing of partially-hydrogenated fats?

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